(f) Does not arise, Sir.

(g) The bio-safety experiments were conducted as per the guidelines stipulated by the RCGM and GEAC, New Delhi and BN Bt variety was found to be safe.

Implementation of NFSM in Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra

1502. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:
SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds released to Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra under National Food Security Mission;

(b) whether funds released have been spent and objectives achieved;

(c) if so, the details of area and productivity increased;

(d) whether soil fertility programmes contemplated under the mission have been achieved and details of farm level progress;

(e) whether implementation of the scheme resulted in enhanced farm level economy to restore confidence among farmers; and

(f) whether implementation of scheme resulted in promotion and extension of improved technologies i.e., Seed, Integrated Nutrient Management including Micro Nutrient, Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and resource conservation technologies along with capacity building of farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) to (c) The funds released to Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra under National Food Security Mission (NFSM)during the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 (till date) are as under:

(Rupees in crore)

Year	Funds released	Expenditure reported by the State
Andhra Pradesh		
2007-08	44.62	26.07
2008-09	84.15	83.78
2009-10	93.91	The year has just commenced and the programme is in progress
Maharashtra		
2007-08	14.14	7.42
2008-09	72.17	68.16
2009-10	56.00	The year has just commenced and the programme is in progress

The implementation of NFSM Programme in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra has shown positive impact in increasing the area/productivity of crops in NFSM districts. In Andhra Pradesh the area under rice increased by 2.35 lakh ha during 2008-09 over 2006-07 (base year when NFSM was not in operation) with a productivity increase by 412 kg/ha. In case of pulses, although the area under pulses has shown a fluctuating trend, yet the productivity was found to be increased by 212 kg/ha during the same period.

In case of Maharashtra, the area under rice was increased by about 0.15 lakh ha with a productivity increase by 108 kg/ha in NFSM districts during 2008-09 over 2006-07(base year when NFSM was not in operation). In case of wheat, the productivity increase was observed to be by about 245 kg/ha.

(d) In order to maintain soil fertility, there is a provision for providing assistance for distribution of Micro-nutrients and Lime/Gypsum under NFSM. The progress made during two years of implementation of programme i.e. 2007-08 and 2008-09 indicated that in Andhra Pradesh a total area of 1.14 lakh ha was covered under micro-nutrient and lime/gypsum application. In case of Maharashtra an area of about 2.82 lakh ha was benefited by micro-nutrient and lime/gypsum application during the same period.

(e) Yes, the scheme has been able to restore confidence among the farmers.

(f) Yes, implementation of the scheme certainly resulted in promotion and extension of improved technology which is visible through increased productivity as submitted at reply of (c).

Ban on export of milk and milk products

†1503. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total annual production and consumption of milk and dairy products in the country during the last three years;

(b) the total export and import of these products taken place during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that the export of milk and dairy products is still being banned by Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the anticipated loss of foreign exchange to Government due to this ban?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) The total Annual production of milk during the last three years are as below:

Year	Milk Production (in million tones)
2006-07	100.9
2007-08	104.8
2008-09	Not available

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi